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PECIALLY A TEXTILE- )  
COVERED WEB FOR A )  
PAPER-MAKING MACHINE)

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified patent application, please  
amend the above application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

3. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the fasteners (15, 16, 17, 18, 25, 26, 33, 34) are designed to be continuous, without interruption.
4. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the fasteners are designed as sewn seams (15, 16, 17, 25, 26, 33, 34).
6. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in the fasteners are designed as sections of adhesive tape (18).

8. Textile web in accordance with Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape (18) are designed to be porous.
9. Textile web in accordance with Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape (18) contain heat-bonding adhesive, or are composed thereof.
10. Textile web in accordance with Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape are designed as bonding sheets with an adhesive coating.
11. Textile web in accordance with Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape (18) are designed as spunbonded tissues containing heat-bonding adhesive fibers or are composed thereof.
13. Textile web in accordance with Claim 11, characterized in that bonding fibers are present, which are designed as bicomponent fibers containing a share of heat-bonding adhesive.
14. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the lateral edges (9, 10, 11, 12) have a wave-like shape.
15. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the lateral edges are zigzag in shape.

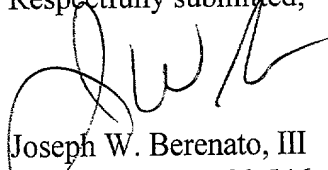
16. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the projections (23, 31) are trapezoidal in shape.
17. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the projections are rectangular in shape.
18. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the web sections (7, 8, 19, 20, 27, 28) are provided with a support base or are composed thereof.
20. Textile web in accordance with Claim 18, characterized in that the support bases are equipped with a woven textile, a knitted textile, or spunbonded tissue, or are composed thereof.
21. Textile web in accordance with Claim 18, characterized in that the support bases are provided with synthetic netting.
23. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1, characterized in that the projections extend in a transverse direction to the textile web, at the most 50 cm, preferably 10 to 20 cm.

#### **REMARKS**

The preceding amendment has been made to cancel the multiple dependent claims appearing in the application. The claims are now in condition for examination.

It is believed that no charges are due for this submission. However, if this is incorrect, then please debit Account 50-0548 and notify the undersigned.

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3. Textile web in accordance with Claim 1 [or 2], characterized in that the fasteners (15, 16, 17, 18, 25, 26, 33, 34) are designed to be continuous, without interruption.
4. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 3] Claim 1, characterized in that the fasteners are designed as sewn seams (15, 16, 17, 25, 26, 33, 34).
6. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 5] Claim 1, characterized in the fasteners are designed as sections of adhesive tape (18).
8. Textile web in accordance with Claim 6 [or 7], characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape (18) are designed to be porous.
9. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 6 or 8] Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape (18) contain heat-bonding adhesive, or are composed thereof.
10. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 6 through 9] Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape are designed as bonding sheets with an adhesive coating.

11. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 6 through 10] Claim 6, characterized in that the sections of adhesive tape (18) are designed as spunbonded tissues containing heat-bonding adhesive fibers or are composed thereof.
13. Textile web in accordance with Claim 11 [or 12], characterized in that bonding fibers are present, which are designed as bicomponent fibers containing a share of heat-bonding adhesive.
14. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 13] Claim 1, characterized in that the lateral edges (9, 10, 11, 12) have a wave-like shape.
15. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 13] Claim 1, characterized in that the lateral edges are zigzag in shape.
16. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 13] Claim 1, characterized in that the projections (23, 31) are trapezoidal in shape.
17. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 13] Claim 1, characterized in that the projections are rectangular in shape.
18. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 17] Claim 1, characterized in that the web sections (7, 8, 19, 20, 27, 28) are provided with a support base or are composed thereof.

20. Textile web in accordance with Claim 18, [19,] characterized in that the support bases are equipped with a woven textile, a knitted textile, or spunbonded tissue, or are composed thereof.

21. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 18 through 20] Claim 18, characterized in that the support bases are provided with synthetic netting.

23. Textile web in accordance with [one of Claims 1 through 22] Claim 1, characterized in that the projections extend in a transverse direction to the textile web, at the most 50 cm, preferably 10 to 20 cm.